

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 2, 8-14, 17, and 19, and amend claim 1, 3-7, 15, 16, and 18 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A performance information reproducing apparatus comprising:

a file storage device that stores a musical tone data file, in which musical tone information is recorded, and ~~at least one~~ a plurality of media data files, in which ~~at least one other~~ a plurality of types of media information is recorded, together with a management file in which a plurality of reading manners of the musical tone data file and the media data files are recorded; [[and]]

a reading manner specifying device that specifies a reading manner of the plurality of reading manners instructed by a user operation from the management file stored by the file storage device;

a reproduction data generating device that generates, based on ~~the musical tone data file and the management file~~ said reading manner specified by said reading manner specifying device, reproduction data that designates the musical tone information of the musical tone data file to be reproduced and the media data file to be reproduced, using designation information in a same format as the musical tone information;

a reproduction data storage device that stores the generated reproduction data;

a reading device that reads the reproduction data stored by said reproduction data storage device in accordance with a reproduction clock for the musical tone information; and

a reproducing device that reads the media data file designated by the read reproduction data, and reproduces the musical tone information in the reproduction data and the media information in the media file in synchronism with each other.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) A performance information reproducing apparatus according to claim 1 ~~[[2]]~~, wherein the plurality of media data files, in which the plurality of types of media information are recorded, respectively, ~~comprise~~ include an audio data file, and a video data file.

4. (Currently Amended) A performance information reproducing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the management file ~~comprises~~ includes file names of the plurality of media data files, and pieces of timing data indicative of a timing of start of reproduction of the plurality of media data files, the file names and the pieces of timing data being arranged in order of reproduction.

5. (Currently Amended) A performance information reproducing apparatus according to claim 4, wherein the musical tone data file ~~comprises~~ includes MIDI events, and pieces of timing data indicative of a MIDI clock timing of a start of processing of the MIDI event, the MIDI events and the pieces of timing data being arranged in order of reproduction.

6. (Currently Amended) A performance information reproducing apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the reproduction data ~~comprises~~ includes file names of the plurality of media data files, and pieces of timing data indicative of a MIDI clock timing of a start of reproduction of the media data files, the file names and the pieces of timing data being arranged in order of reproduction.

7. (Currently Amended) A performance information reproducing apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the timing data indicative of the MIDI clock timing of the start of reproduction of the media data files is generated from data indicative of a timing recorded in the management file.

8. (Canceled)

9. (Canceled)

10. (Canceled)

11. (Canceled)

12. (Canceled)

13. (Canceled)

14. (Canceled)

15. (Currently Amended) A performance information reproducing apparatus according to claim 7 [[14]], wherein the reproduction clock for the musical tone information is the MIDI clock, and wherein whenever a timing corresponding to the timing data indicative of the MIDI clock timing of the start of reproduction of the media data file is reached, the media data file having the file name corresponding to the MIDI clock timing is read from said file storage device.

16. (Currently Amended) A performance information reproducing method for a performance information reproducing apparatus, comprising:

a file storage step of storing, in a file storage device, a musical tone data file, in which musical tone information is recorded, and ~~at least one~~ a plurality of media data files, in which ~~at least one other~~ a plurality of types of media information is recorded, together with a

management file in which a plurality of reading manners of the musical tone data file and the media data files are recorded; [[and]]

specifying the reading manner instructed by a user operation, from said management file stored by said file storage device;

~~a reproduction data generating step of generating, based on the musical tone data file and the management file~~ said reading manner specified by said reading manner specifying device, reproduction data that designates the musical tone information of the musical tone data file to be reproduced and the media data file to be reproduced, using designation information in a same format as the musical tone information;

storing the generated reproduction data;

reading the stored reproduction data in accordance with a reproduction clock for the musical tone information; and

reading the media data file designated by the read reproduction data, and reproducing the musical tone information in the reproduction data and the media information in the media data file in synchronism with each other.

17. (Canceled)

18. (Currently Amended) A performance information reproducing program executed by a computer, comprising:

a file storage module for storing in a file storage device a musical tone data file, in which musical tone information is recorded, and ~~at least one~~ a plurality of media data files, in which ~~at least one other~~ a plurality of types of media information is recorded, together with a management file in which a plurality of reading manners of the musical tone data file and the media data files are recorded;

a reading manner specifying module for specifying a reading manner of the plurality of reading manners instructed by a user operation from the management file stored by the file storage device;

a reproduction data generating module for generating, based on ~~the musical tone data file and the management file~~ said reading manner specified by said reading manner specifying device, reproduction data that designates the musical tone information of the musical tone data file to be reproduced and the media data file to be reproduced, using designation information in a same format as the musical tone information;

a reproduction data storing module for storing the generated reproduction data ~~in a reproduction data storage device~~; [[and]]

a reading module for reading the reproduction data from the reproduction data storage device in accordance with a reproduction clock for the musical tone information; and

a reproducing module for reading the media data file designated by the read reproduction data, and reproducing the musical tone information in the reproduction data and the media information in the media data file in synchronism with each other.

19. (Canceled)

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